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Dear Dr. Ramalingaswami,

I have been away from my office, on a vacation trip after our meeting in Geneva, and have just returned to find your letter of June 25th. It reminded me of the very fine discourse that we had and I look forward to seeing you again at future meetings.

Thank you for thinking of me to visit your institute. I hope some day to be able to take advantage of this opportunity but I see no possibility of putting this into practice before next year. So, perhaps we might discuss it at that time, namely at the next meeting of the advisory committee. I am not sure that the direction of my own interests are really congruent with the important and enormous problems that you face in New Delhi, and I certainly would have least of all to contribute on the firing line of community health, as important as this is.

In any event I look forward to a continued association.

Sincerely yours,

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